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SUBJECT: INDONESIAN REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON
CAMBODIAN PEACE NEGOTIATIONS

1. ALEX ALATAS, CHIEF OF PERSONAL STAFF OF FOREIGN MINISTER MALIK, CALLED IN ACTING DCM JULY 13 TO SAY THAT MALIK AND DIRECTOR-GENERAL FOR POLITICAL AFFAIRS WERE INCREASINGLY DISTURBED AT BEING LEFT IN THE DARK WHEN ALL SIGNS INDICATED THAT SOMETHING IMPORTANT WAS AFOOT RE MOVES TOWARD A CAMBODIAN CEASEFIRE. ALATAS REMINDED US INDONESIA HAD OVER PAST FEW YEARS BEEN CLOSELY ASSOCIATED WITH AMERICAN INVOLVEMENT IN CAMBODIA, FELT ENTITLED TO BE KEPT INFORMED, AND HAD REAL NEED TO KNOW.

2. ALATAS RECALLED MALIK'S CONVERSATIONS EARLY MARCH 1973 AT PARIS CONFERENCE WITH MOST HEADS OF DELEGATION AND SAID INDONESIANS HAD CONCLUDED THAT TO SURVIVE LON NOL GOVERNMENT WOULD HAVE TO MAKE A DEAL WITH KHMER ROUGES. ALATAS SAID GOI NOTES THAT USG IS NOW SEEKING PRC GOOD OFFICES RE CAMBODIA. SINCE PRC IS KNOWN TO SUPPORT SIHANOUK, GOI WANTS TO KNOW IF USG ENVISAGES ROLE FOR SIHANOUK OR IS WORKING ON SOME SCENARIO THAT WOULD PUT HIM INTO POWER.

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EM ACTING DCM TOLD ALATAS THAT EMBASSY JAKARTA'S KNOWLEDGE OF RECENT PEACE EFFORTS FOR CAMBODIA WAS LIMITED TO LONG BORET DECLARATION OF JULY 6 ENGLISH AND FRENCH TEXTS OF WHICH WE HAD SUPPLIED TO FOREIGN DEPARTMENT; POSSIBILITY OF A PEACE INITIATIVE TRIP BY LONG BORET; AND MEDIA INDICATIONS THAT CAMBODIA HAD BEEN DISCUSSED AT SAN CLEMENTE WITH AMBASSADOR HUANG CHEN. ADCM REVIEWED SUBSTANCE OF JAKARTA 8125 AND PHNOM PENH 6919 AND SAID IT WAS QUITE POSSIBLE THAT GOI KNEW MORE ABOUT LONG BORET'S PLANS THAN DID EMBASSY JAKARTA, NOTING THAT HE WAS NOT SURPRISED THAT EMBASSY NOT BE FULLY INFORMED AT EARLIEST STAGES OF SOME POSSIBLE SENSITIVE NEGOTIATION OR INITIATIVE.

4. ALATAS REITERATED GOI'S EARNEST INTEREST IN MATTER AND SAID MALIK PLANNED TO RAISE IT SOON WITH AMBASSADOR. ADCM AGREED TO INFORM DEPARTMENT AND SEEK ANY AVAILABLE INFORMATION.
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